

THE UAW LOCAL 230 COLLECTION

Papers, 1941-1967

(Predominantly, 1955-1967)

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The papers of UAW Local 230 were deposited in the Archives of Labor and Urban Affairs in May of 1966 and February of 1972 by Charlotte Getzfrid, Financial Secretary. The earlier accession consisting of one folder was opened for research in September of 1966. This has been incorporated into the present collection which was opened in May of 1983.

Local 230 is located in Bell, California (in the metropolitan Los Angeles area) and represents the employees of the largest Chrysler facility in the western United States. Local 230 obtained its charter in March of 1937 as a direct result of the sit-down strike of that same year. In 1938, Chrysler attempted to dissolve Local 230. Acting together with a group of anti-union employers and the District Attorney's office, many of the officers and founders of Local 230 were charged with conspiracy and extortion. However, their trial resulted in a hung jury. A second trial was ordered by the District Attorney and it resulted in acquittal.

The collection reflects the negotiations of Local 230 with Chrysler and strikes against the company in 1957 and 1964.

Important subjects covered in the collection are:

Chrysler strikes, 1957 and 1964

Among the important correspondents are:

Douglas Fraser

Walter Reuther

Emil Mazey

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